

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 21-23.

1 (previously presented): A topical composition for treating wrinkles on the skin comprising silymarin dissolved in dipropylene glycol and contained in an amount of 0.7% to 2.0% by weight effective to promote the production of type I collagen and/or to promote the production of elastin.

2 (original): The composition as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the silymarin is an extract from silymarin-containing plant and/or derived from silymarin-containing plant.

3 (previously presented): The composition as claimed in Claim 1, which is used for preventing skin aging.

4-6 (canceled)

7 (previously presented): The composition as claimed in Claim 1, which is a cosmetic.

8 (previously presented): The composition as claimed in Claim 2, which is used for preventing skin aging.

9 (previously presented): The composition as claimed in Claim 2, which is used for external application on the skin.

10 (previously presented): The composition as claimed in Claim 3, which is used for external application on the skin.

11-14 (canceled)

15 (previously presented): The composition as claimed in Claim 2, which is a cosmetic.

16 (previously presented): The composition as claimed in Claim 3, which is a cosmetic.

17 (previously presented): A method for treating wrinkles on the skin of a subject by promoting the production elastin in an extracellular matrix of a dermis, comprising topically administering to a the subject an effective amount of a composition comprising silymarin dissolved in dipropylene glycol and contained in an amount of 0.7% to 2.0% by weight.

18-19 (canceled)

20 (previously presented): The method according to Claim 17, wherein the administration is such that the production of elastin becomes double.

21-23 (canceled)